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See Attached.

DETAILED ACTION

1. The reply filed on April 22, 2003 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): the elected Species I does not read on the claims that Applicant points out. None of the Figures relating to the elected Species have any flexible elastic sealing orifice. Applicant was put on notice from the time that Applicant received the restriction requirement to elect with the inherent understanding that Applicant must review the application to ascertain which claims are applicable to which embodiments in the disclosure. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Charles Goodman whose telephone number is (703) 308-0501. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday between 7:30 AM to 6:00 PM EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Allan Shoap, can be reached on (703) 308-1082.

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In lieu of mailing, it is encouraged that all formal responses be faxed to 703-872-9302. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703-308-1148.

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